Marine Fisheries

Blue Crab Shedding Permit

What Activities Require This Permit? The possession of more than 50 blue crabs in a shedding operation in joint or coastal fishing waters of North Carolina.

What Is The Purpose of This Permit? To identify the location of blue crab shedding operations.

Who Issues This Permit? N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF), License and Statistics Section.

How Much Will This Permit Cost? No cost.

Where Can I Get The Application For This Permit? Contact any N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries license office. Visit the following link for license sales locations: http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/mf/dmf-offices.

How Long Will It Take To Review My Application? No review.

Where Do I Submit My Application? Any N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries License Office. Visit the following link for license sales contact information: http://portal.ncdenr.org/web/mf/dmf-offices.

How Long Is My Permit or License or Certificate Valid? Permits are valid up to one year and expire on June 30.

Notes/Comments: Permittee must have a dealer license to purchase peeler crabs from harvesters or a valid Standard Commercial Fishing License (SCFL)/Retired Standard Commercial Fishing License (RSCFL) to harvest his/her own.

Legal Authority/Statute Reference: General Statute 113-169.1 and 113-170.2, North Carolina Marine Fisheries Commission Rules 15A NCAC 030.0501, 30.0502, and 30.0503.

Link: http://deg.nc.gov/about/divisions/marine-fisheries

Statewide Contact Information:

NC Division of Marine Fisheries License and Statistics Section 3441 Arendell Street Morehead City, NC 28557

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